

## FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 27, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 3132 - HB 3142**

This bill, if enacted, will provide that appropriate arrangements for a child in foster care include a monthly monetary allowance of not less than from \$450 to \$597 per month. The bill also deletes language which states that the adoption assistance payments must be less than the monthly cost of care of that child if the child were to remain in a foster home. The current average monthly foster care payment is \$338. The current average monthly adoption assistance payment is \$365.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures of \$7,506,300 for foster care and adoption assistance payments. Of this amount, \$4,705,400 will be state funds and \$2,800,900 will be federal funds. Details are as follows:

### **Foster Care Program**

<u>No. of Children</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>	<u>Adj. Rates Per Bill</u>	<u>Additional Annual Foster Care Cost</u>
3,663	\$14,835,864	\$22,031,712	\$7,195,848

Funding:

State	\$4,498,959
Federal	\$2,696,889

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## Adoption Assistance Program

<u>No. of Cases</u>	<u>Cost Based on Current \$365 Avg. Per Mo.</u>	<u>Cost Based on 3% Growth in Avg. Payment</u>	<u>Est. Inc. in Adoption Assistance Payments</u>
2,352	\$10,301,800	\$10,612,200	\$310,400

### Funding:

State	\$206,400
Federal	\$104,000

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director